## PG&E's RPS Net Short Calculation Methodology

Jomo Thorne Manager, Renewable & Clean Energy Strategy

June 12, 2012

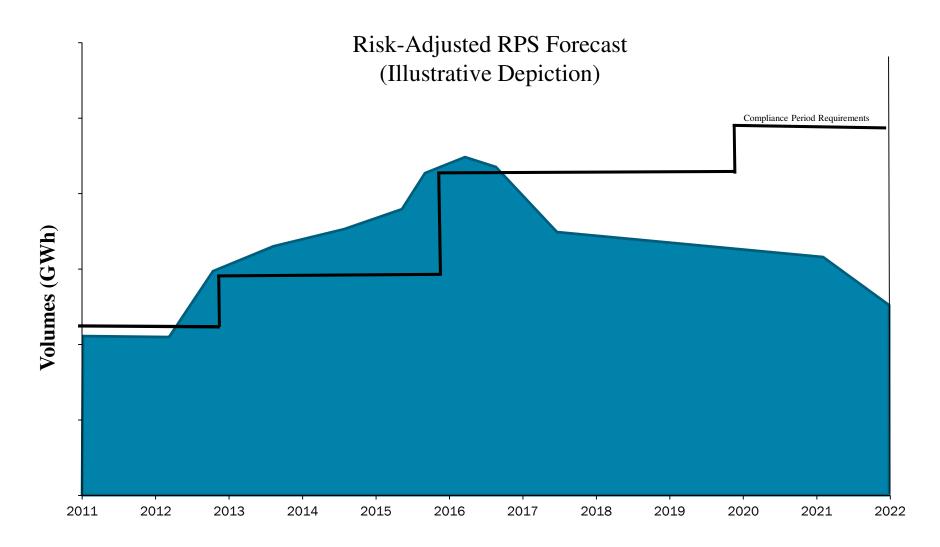
RPS Net Short Methodology Workshop, California Public Utilities Commission





- 1. Portfolio Outlook
- 2. Risk Assessment
- 3. Net Short Methodology
- 4. Managing Supply/Demand Variability: Use of Surplus Bank
- 5. Managing Supply/Demand Variability: Over-Procurement Margin
- 6. Challenges

# PC&E Portfolio Outlook





Category	Assessed Risk	
Completed and Under Construction	Low	
Approved or Mandated	Low	
<b>Under Development</b>	Medium	
Closely Watched	High	

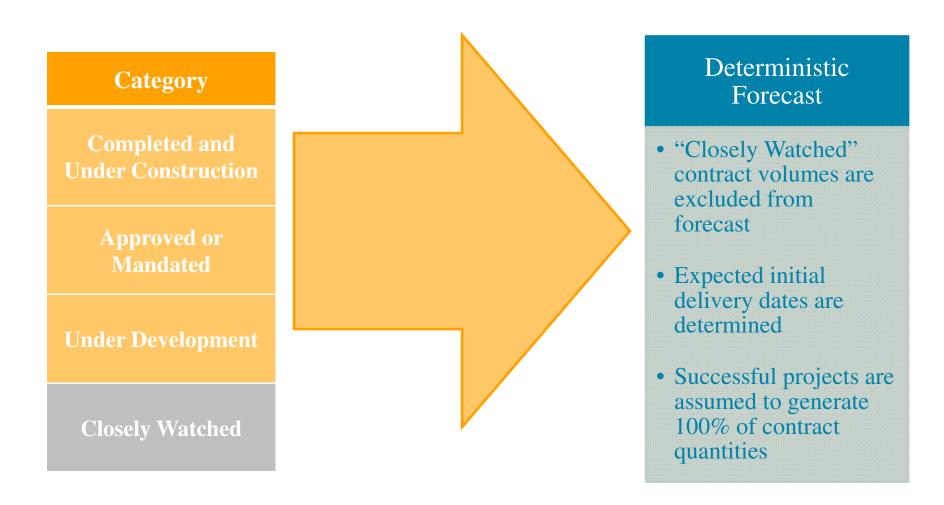
## "Closely Watched" Illustrative Criteria

- Actual failure to meet milestones
- Anticipated failure to meet milestones
- Significant regulatory contract approval delays
- Amendment necessary to preserve project's viability
- PPA amendment pending approval
- Plant has ceased operation

Risk assessments are based on (1) objective data collected through project monitoring activities and (2) best professional judgment of subject-matter experts.

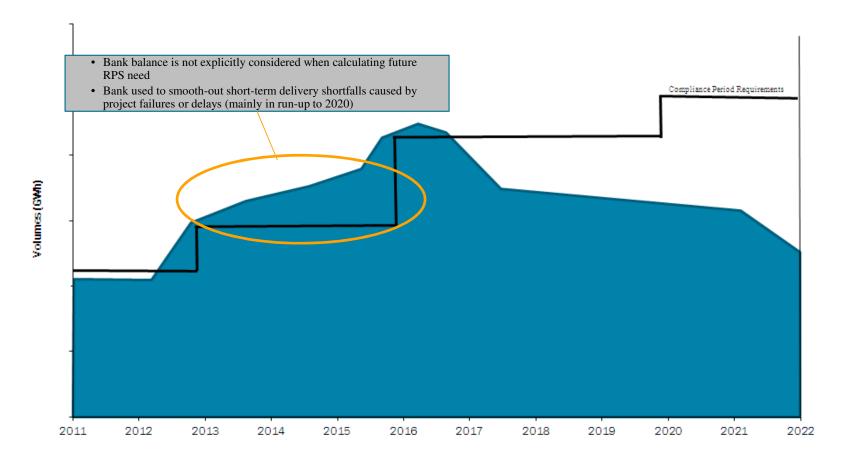


PG&E employs a deterministic methodology for developing risk-adjusted forecast of RPS-eligible deliveries.





### Managing Supply/Demand Variability: Use of Surplus Bank



In the future PG&E may propose to procure an additional, voluntary margin of procurement, rather than relying on its surplus bank to manage long-term delivery shortfall.



### Managing Supply/Demand Variability: Over-Procurement Margin

#### Over-Procurement (Statutory)

- Margin of procurement necessary to address anticipated project failures or delays
- Existing margin of over procurement is based on current estimate of long-term failure rate (~22%)
- PG&E does not currently, but *may* in the future, propose to over-procure future, incremental volumes
- Actual need will necessarily vary over time based on portfolio development
- Specific methodology should not be prescribed

#### Over-Procurement (Voluntary)

- Intended to address risk of variability in load and RPS deliveries <u>unrelated</u> to project failures or delays
- Separately, PG&E *may* seek to procure additional volumes



#### Maintaining Confidentiality

• Project-specific assessments and underlying data

#### Dynamic Net Short Methodology and Results

- Allowance for evolution of risk assessment methodology
- Need for flexibility in quantifying need

#### Uniformity Across Planning and Policy Forums

• Need quantification approaches vary in appropriateness



### **Questions?**

Jomo Thorne j2t7@pge.com